

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a client coupled, via a network, to a plurality of resources ~~and computing tasks, wherein~~  
said plurality of resources is located on an application server[[s]] located on a  
network;

~~a system in which software applications reside on application servers and clients share~~  
~~and access the application executing on application servers via a network; and~~

a system configured to control client access to said plurality of resources ~~and computing~~  
~~tasks on application servers~~, the system including:

a database configured to store ~~at least one policy criteria~~ a first license policy  
type, a second license policy type, a first policy instance, and a second  
policy instance, wherein the first policy instance is generated using the  
first license policy type and a first user specific parameter and the second  
policy instance is generated using the second policy type and a second  
user specific parameter associated with a user, wherein the first user  
specific parameter and the second user specific parameter are associated  
with a same user;

a license manager configured to generate a token using the following steps:

creating a first sub-token using the first policy instance;

creating a second sub-token using the second policy instance; and

combining the first sub-token and the second sub-token to generate the  
token,

~~according to an allocated access session based on said at least one policy~~  
~~criteria associated with the user wherein the token enables the user to~~  
access one of said plurality of resources; and

~~an application server based~~ a token monitor configured to initiate and terminate  
access to said one of said plurality of application server resources and  
~~application server computing tasks~~ according to said token, wherein the  
token monitor is located on said application server.

2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the token monitor ~~includes~~ comprises a criteria evaluator, wherein the criteria evaluator is configured to notify the token monitor when the first sub-token expires ~~that notifies the token monitor if said criteria is triggered.~~
6. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator is configured to use ~~includes~~ a calendar to determine whether the first sub-token has expired and said criterion triggered includes a specific period including at least one member selected from the group consisting of a certain day of the week, a certain day of a month, a certain month, a certain week, or a certain number of days.
7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator is configured to use ~~includes~~ a counter to determine whether the first sub-token has expired and said criterion triggered includes at least one number selected from the group consisting of a number of user access, a number of files produced, a number of files opened, a number of files saved, and a number of pages printed.
8. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator is configured to use ~~includes~~ a timer to determine whether the first sub-token has expired and said criterion triggered includes at least one time selected from the group consisting of a time of day, a time interval in a day, and a specific time on a specific day.
9. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:
  - a secondary access database configured to generate a third sub-token using a third policy instance, wherein the third sub-token is created after the first sub-token has expired and the third sub-token enables the same user to access said one of said plurality of resources ~~that provides for token creation when initial allocated access sessions are depleted.~~

10. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein a notification to create a new policy instance is sent to the client after the first sub-token has expired further comprising a notification component to alert the user when initial allocated access sessions reach a pre-selected level.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for managing ~~user~~ access to ~~application server a~~ resource[[s]] ~~and/or application server computing tasks on a distributed computing system on~~ a network comprising:

creating a first policy instance and a second policy instance, wherein the first policy instance is created using a first license policy type and a first user specific parameter and the second policy instance is created using a second policy type and a second user specific parameter one or more application server resource and/or application server computing task access sessions by a system administrator, wherein said one or more application server resource and/or application server computing task access sessions are assigned to a specific user and stored on a database, wherein the first user specific parameter and the second user specific parameter are associated with a same user;

verifying the first policy instance and the second policy instance a user resource request from the specific user against associated assigned application server resource and/or application server computing task access sessions by a license manager;  
and

generating a token corresponding to said application server resource and/or application server computing task access sessions for the specific user by said license manager,

wherein the token enables the same user to access said resource, and  
wherein the token is generated by:

creating a first sub-token using the first policy instance,

creating a second sub-token using the second policy instance, and

combining the first sub-token and the second sub-token to generate the  
token

through an application server based token manager, the specific user to initiated access of  
application server resources and/or computing tasks executing on an application

~~server as well as terminate access of application server resources and/or computing tasks executing on an application server on the distributed computing system network.~~

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

creating a third sub-token using a third policy instance, wherein the third sub-token is created after the first sub-token has expired and the third sub-token enables the same user to access the resource

~~creating secondary resource access sessions for token generation when initial resource access sessions are depleted.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the license manager allows access to the resource for a period of time and the token only allows access to the resource for a portion of the period of time ~~generated enables resource access for a segment of a whole resource access session.~~

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising:

generating a new token when the portion of the period of time expires and additional time from in the period of time remains ~~access for said segment is depleted and additional access remains in the whole resource access session.~~

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

notifying the ~~specific~~ user when the first sub-token expires ~~initial resource access sessions reach a pre-selected level; and~~  
renewing, by the ~~specific~~ user, the first sub-token ~~said initial resource access sessions.~~

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

monitoring the first sub-token by a token monitor associated with the resource ~~a license criterion of said token; and~~

~~terminated user terminating access to the resource when at least one selected from the group consisting of the first sub-token and the second sub-token expires said license criterion is triggered.~~

20. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first policy type is one selected from the group consisting of by user, by usage, by client, by time, by date, and by resource.
21. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the token monitor is further configured to attempt to renew the first sub-token after the first sub-token expires.
22. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the first policy type is one selected from the group consisting of by user, by usage, by client, by time, by date, and by resource.